

# EXHIBIT C

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY

Plaintiff,

v.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, OPENAI, INC.,  
OPENAI LP, OPENAI GP, LLC, OPENAI, LLC,  
OPENAI OPCO LLC, OPENAI GLOBAL LLC,  
OAI CORPORATION, LLC, and OPENAI  
HOLDINGS, LLC,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:23-cv-11195-SHS

**THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY’S REQUEST FOR INSPECTION TO  
MICROSOFT CORPORATION PURSUANT TO RULE 34**

Pursuant to Rule 34 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules of the Southern District of New York, (the “Local Civil Rules”), The New York Times Company (“The Times”) requests that Microsoft Corporation (“Microsoft”) permit inspection, copying, testing, sampling, measuring, surveying, and photographing of Defendants’ training datasets and generative artificial intelligence models, products, and services, including any related property, objects, and operations, as follows:

1. Training Dataset(s) used to train the Defendants’ Generative AI Models, broken down into each phase of training, including pre-training, any “cool down” phase of pre-training, fine-tuning, instruction-tuning, reinforcement learning through human feedback, or other training process.
2. Software components available in source code form used in connection with Your Training Dataset(s), including for processing of training data, training curricula, data

- loaders, and ranking, weighting, or scoring tools, including the associated documentation.
3. Software components available in source code form used to build, curate, or otherwise obtain data for Your Training Datasets from the internet, including web crawlers, spiders, and bots, including BingBot.
  4. Generative AI Models, including but not limited to MAI-1, GPT models incorporated into Your Generative AI Products and Services, and all other versions or other Generative AI Models, including associated model cards and documentation.
  5. Copilot branded Generative AI Products and Services, including APIs, plug-ins, Prometheus and other features offered through the Copilot branded platform, including software components available in source code form and the associated source code repositories and documentation.
  6. Query, session, and chat logs related to Times Content reflecting user sessions on Your Generative AI Products and Services and Bing (“Session Data”), including, for each session, user queries paired with responses to those queries.

This Rule 34 request shall be read and interpreted in accordance with the Definitions set forth in The New York Times Company’s First Set of Requests for Production to Microsoft.

The Times requests that the foregoing items be made available for inspection on one or more hard drives mounted locally on a server having memory and processing power commensurate with those used by Microsoft in the ordinary course of business for performing training set processing and analysis tasks, such as deduplication. The server should be accessible using one or more approved laptops. The Times may request that Microsoft install licensed software or files on the laptop computer(s) to assist with the inspection, and such request shall be subject to approval of Microsoft, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

The Times requests that the Training Datasets be produced as files of each training record will all metadata related thereto as maintained in the ordinary course of business, along with directories identifying records used during each phase of training, including pre-training, any “cool down” phase of pre-training, fine-tuning, instruction-tuning, reinforcement learning through human feedback, or other training process.

The Times requests that the Generative AI Models be made accessible through an application programming interface (API) via the laptop(s), and that Microsoft produce documentation, directions, and example scripts illustrating how to make queries to the API.

The Times requests that the Copilot branded Generative AI Products and Services be made available for inspection using the laptop(s) as those products and services are ordinarily made available to and used by end-users.

The Times requests that Microsoft have a person or person(s) familiar with the foregoing list of items available during the course of the inspection to operate the laptop(s) and facilitate The Times’s inspection.

The requested inspection is to take place at Microsoft’s facilities located at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, Washington beginning on a mutually agreeable date and time, and/or at such other facility that enables The Times to perform the requested inspection, copying, testing, sampling, measuring, surveying, and photographing of Microsoft’s training datasets and generative artificial intelligence models, products, and services, including taking videos and still photographs of Microsoft’s services and systems, as described above, and of their operation (including as such systems and services are provided to and used by end-users). A court reporter and/or videographer may be present for the inspection.

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I declare that I am employed with the law firm of Susman Godfrey L.L.P., whose address is One Manhattan West, New York, NY 10001. I am not a party to the within cause, and I am over the age of eighteen years.

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